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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

CHANG-MENG B. HSIUNG et al.

Application No.: 09/802,377

Filed: March 9, 2001

For: CONTROL FOR AN INDUSTRIAL
PROCESS USING ONE OR MORE
MULTIDIMENSIONAL VARIABLES

Confirmation No.: 8304

Examiner: Ronald D. Hartman Jr.

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed August 27, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three month extension of time to respond to is filed herewith.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.